



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/618,602 Confirmation No. : 5343  
First Named Inventor : Naoki MATSUMOTO  
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Examiner : Luz L. Alejandro  
  
Docket No. : 101249.52602US  
Customer No. : 23911  
  
Title : Plasma Processing Apparatus

**REPLY**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed September 12, 2005, the period for response having been extended to Monday, February 13, 2006 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.